



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Work on four sound walls starting in Rialto



The placement of temporary fencing with privacy screens and the removal of residential walls, fences and trees are underway for sound walls to be built between Spruce and Riverside Avenues in Rialto.

These activities are early steps in the construction of the first four sound walls to be built in Rialto. Designed to reduce freeway noise for residents living near Route 210, these walls will have the added benefit of providing a sound buffer during the construction process.

The first four walls will measure 16 feet in height and will be built south of the freeway corridor:

- Sound wall #125 will extend from Spruce Avenue to Cactus Avenue.
- Sound wall #130 will extend from Cactus Avenue to Lilac Avenue.
- Sound wall #134 will extend from Lilac to about 60 yards west of Willow Avenue.
- Sound wall #138 will connect with sound wall #134 and extend to approximately 150 yards west of Riverside Avenue.

The next steps in the construction involve digging trenches to hold the wall foundations, installing rebar, pouring the concrete footings, setting masonry block and applying grout to the block. Once each wall is completed, the contractor will reconnect residential side-walls and fences to the new wall and remove the temporary fencing. The work should take about six months. Work on similar walls north of the freeway will start after this set of walls is finished.

Sound wall locations are determined by Caltrans noise studies. Walls are built to help reduce projected freeway noise a minimum of five decibels where the noise exceeds 67 decibels or has increased at least 12 decibels from the current conditions.

Construction of bridge at Ayala Drive to start soon

Coming soon is the full closure of Ayala Drive to build a box culvert for the Cactus Channel and to begin construction of the bridge to cross over the freeway at this location. The street closure and subsequent construction activity will occur once the Easton Street detour opens to traffic and Cedar Avenue is paved south of Highland Avenue.

Riverside Construction Company estimates the closure to take place in early October. Signs will be posted, and notices will be mailed to residents once a date is firm.

Rialto street closures ...

Permanent

- Galway Street at Riverside and Oakdale
- Spruce Avenue, north of Highland Avenue
- Willow Avenue, south of Highland

Temporary

- Lilac Avenue north of Highland, through October 15
- Locust Avenue at Highland, through February 2004
- Ayala Drive at Highland, October 2003-October 2004

Partial Closures

- Riverside Avenue at Highland, September 17-19
- Westbound Highland Avenue lanes west of Riverside, September 22-October 6
- Eastbound Highland Avenue lanes west of Riverside, October 6-20

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